**Activities of property dealers**

2108. SHRI HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1134 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 3rd March, 1989 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the so-called 'Property Dealers/Estate Agents' are still operating near the Janata Flats referred to in the above question in Keshavapuram (Lawrence Road) in North Delhi, sometimes late into the evenings;

(d) whether any warning was also issued to them that business activities cannot be carried on the DDA flats which are meant for residential purpose;

(c) whether DDA also propose to take has been taken so far against them;

(d) whether any warning was also issued to the allottees of these Janata flats against their collusion with property dealers and indulging in illegal deals; and

(e) whether DDA also propose to take any action against the so-called property dealers who are at work in other DDA housing colonies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

**Merger of visvesvarya iron and steel Ltd. with SAIL**

2109. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state what are the reasons for postponement of the merger of Visvesvaraya Iron and Steel Limited with SAIL with details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAKHAN LAL FOTEDAR): Government have decided to permit Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) to become majority shareholder of M/s. Visvesvarya Iron and Steel Limited by acquiring additional shares. Government of Karnataka and SAIL have been asked to complete the necessary formalities of take over expeditiously.

**Report submitted by World Bank regarding privatisation of public sector Indian Steel Plants**

2110. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank have submitted any report to his Ministry regarding privatisation of public sector Indian Steel Plants;

(b) if so, the salient features of the said report; and

(c) reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAKHAN LAL FOTEDAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

**Determination of collective bargaining agents for Salem Steel Plant**

2111. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state the details of hurdles in implementing the recommendation of the State machinery, Tamil Nadu in conducting secret ballot to determine the collective bargaining agent for Salem Steel Plant ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAKHAN LAL FOTEDAR): In Salem Steel Plant the union affiliated to INTUC is the recognised union. For quite sometime past the union affiliated to CITU has been agitating for recognition as per recommendation of State Evaluation and Implementation Committee. But the matter was contested in various courts. On February 1, 1988, Madras High Court had passed orders for conducting secret ballot to determine the majority union in Salem Steel Plant. This decision was reversed by the division bench of the same High Court on a writ petition filed by the INTUC union and the management of Salem Steel Plant accepting the main ground of appeal, namely, that the established method under